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Northampton Thursday

My Dear Sir

As I expected. there was a very brilliant attendance to my Benefit - and all went off with immense applause - There were £75 taken at the concert. With the conductor proposed me when he showed me the contract - Peronani. Rubini. Negri. Poggi. Chatterton all for £30. To be sure they were caught flying from the North. and came therefore on reasonable terms - a great contrast to those granted by Lavenue to Loizik and his party viz £1600 per month - which must prove ruinous to the projector. To day is the first day of the races - and literally - there is no one about it the Jan the principal one being the George. It seems the system of exclusion is carried to such a length at the place - that the provincial aristocracy will not mix with the respectable tradespeople - or what occurs they will not go to the theatre - nor will they suffer the tradesmen to hear a concert at the Rooms even if they purchase a ticket - I hope there is as truth in the latter report - But from my own observation I think there is too much reason to believe it - I return to town tomorrow and shall have the pleasure of calling on you in a day or two - I was too early for you the other morning I am Dear Sir
Yours truly
John Bradburn

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